## **Press Release**



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## "Farmyard Fun" Kids Weekend

Icelandic State Park is hosting its 31<sup>st</sup> annual Kids Weekend on August 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. Kids Weekend is an event devoted entirely to kids, with activities such as crafts, games, contests, entertainment, and more. This year's theme is "Farmyard Fun".

To kick-off the weekend's events, a *Scavenger Hunt* will be held at the amphitheater on Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Teams of six will receive a list of items that they must find and bring back to the amphitheater. Parents and older kids are welcome to participate in this event. After the *Scavenger Hunt*, join us back at the amphitheater for a *Movie Night* and freeze pops! Seating is limited, so you may want to bring a blanket or lawn chair.

On Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, meet at the picnic shelter at 9:00 am to register for the *Iron Kids Contest*. Kids ages 9-12 can compete in this triathlon type event. Participants must have a bicycle, bicycle helmet, and closed toed running shoes. Following the *Iron Kids Contest*, kids ages 3-8 can participate in the *Aluminum Kids Contest*. *Arts and Crafts*, including tie-dying and button making, will be available from 2:00 pm -4:00 pm at the picnic shelter. Tie-dying participants must bring their own white t-shirt. A *Seed-Spitting Contest* will take place at 3:00 pm at the picnic shelter. New this year is the *Family Obstacle Course*, from 4:00-5:00 pm at the picnic shelter. Teams of six will work together to complete 6 obstacles. The winning team from each heat will compete in the finals. *Coloring Contest* pages can be picked up at the host site and must be turned back in by 5:00 pm on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

*Comedian Ed Wiley* will be providing entertainment at the amphitheater at 7:30 pm. Prior to his performance, an *Open Mic Comedy Show* will be held at 7:00 pm. Participants can take the stage to share their favorite (kid friendly) joke. Following the show, there will be an *Ice Cream Social* and door prize drawing to end the night.

On Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, the *Fishing Derby* will be open for registration at 9:00 am on the boat dock. This derby is for kids ages 15 and younger. In addition to the derby, a *Sand Castle Contest* will be held on the beach from 12:00-1:00 pm. This event will be split into two age categories, 12 & under and 13 & older. Prizes will be given out following each event.

The events throughout Kids Weekend are free of charge in accordance with a daily pass, annual pass, or campground permit. Icelandic State Park is located 5 ½ miles west of cavalier, ND on State Highway 5.

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